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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of: Arthur S. HASELTINE

Application No.: 09/804,586

Examiner: not yet known

Filed: March 12, 2001

Art Unit: 2165

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM PROVIDING OUT-SOURCED,
MERCHANDISE RETURN SERVICES, AND
EXCHANGE AND ESCROW SERVICES

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS
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ON 10-5-01
Jonathan Bay
REGISTRATION NO. 35064
DATE 10-5-01

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Attn: **Box Non-Fee Amendment**
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Please find enclosed for filing:

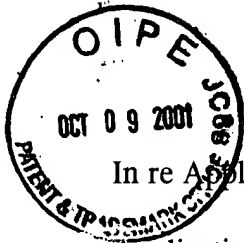
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and copies of the references.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a);
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ __, for
- ☒ Other: Return Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Oct. 5, 2001

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-20, without prejudice.

Add new claims 21-40 as follows. No new matter is added.

21. A method of secured exchanges of merchandise serving both a distributed user public as well as remote and generally online sellers; comprising the steps of:

providing a distributed user public that would order merchandise from remote sellers if given a chance to inspect first before accepting or refusing delivery;